

Minutes of Lismore Community Council meeting held at 7pm on 13th September, at Lismore Public Hall
2012

Present: Archie McGillivray (Chair); Mandie Currie (Secretary); Jim MacCormick (Treasurer); John Carmichael.

Apologies: John MacCormick; Cllr Elaine Robertson

Minutes of the meeting held on 28/06/2012: Proposed by John Carmichael; seconded by Jim MacCormick – the minutes were approved as a true and accurate record.

Matters arising: All matters were dealt with in the agenda.

Ferries

- Elaine Robertson has confirmed that the Council are considering the request for season tickets; spend will need to be minimised until the ferry review is complete
- Council looking at timetables for later runs etc but stretch of water is in different category compared to other routes, so this may not be possible
- Suggestion that changing rotas to four days on and four days off might help with working times directive and ferry timetabling
- Request received to ask Council about amendments to ferry to enable it to take cans of fuel
- Meeting to be arranged with Calmac to discuss capacity of new vessel **Action: Secretary to arrange**
- Car parking at Point – the Council is willing to put notices on cars left as long stay but LCC will need to identify the cars **Action: LCC members to identify cars and advise Council**
- New waiting rooms at Point ready for installation
- Railings at Achnacroish are to be painted; Elaine following up with Council regarding repainting of toilet block, Sanitary ware is to be replaced and cleaning regime to be improved
- Council are placing notices on lorry and cars at Achnacroish and these will be removed if owners do not move them
- Car parking at Port Appin – this is an increasing problem throughout the year and in peak season it is extremely difficult to find a parking space **Action: Secretary to ask Council about car parking improvements**

Bin collections and recycling

- Screening of recycling area at Achnacroish to be done
- Someone will need to phone Council when recycling bins are full
- Refuse collections are reverting to weekly collections, with 3 weeks out of 4 being rubbish and the 4th week being paper collection

Health issues

- Issues were raised regarding the lack of replacement vehicle when the ambulance was away for maintenance. There is no replacement but the Scottish Ambulance Service advised that in future, they will send over an engineer to check the vehicles so that parts etc can be ordered and ready when the Ambulance gets to the garage. They anticipate that by doing this they will limit the time when the ambulance is away to 1 day.
- Helicopter evacuation – process has improved and time taken to evacuate patients has greatly reduced

Date of next meeting: to be agreed